

# The Caledonian Mercury.

Edinburgh, Monday, October 17, 1726.

From the St. James's Evening Post, Octob. 8.  
Naples, Sept. 17.

**C**ardinal d'Althan our Viceroy, and Cardinal Pignatelli our Archbishop, have jointly made a Regulation, That in the 120 Churches of this City, a Service of Nine Days shall be performed by Turns during a whole Year, in order to obtain Blessings from Heaven, and particularly a Male Heir for the House of Austria; which Service was begun last Sunday in the Churches of the HOLY GHOST, St. Philip of Neri, St. Lorenzo and St. Malet. The same Day which was so fatal to the City of Palermo, we felt here a slight Shoke of an Earthquake; but as it went off without doing any Damage, it was not minded.

Hague, Oct. 9. The States of Holland and West Friesland continue their Session. The Deputies of the Colleges of the Admiralty have been some Days in this Town, to consider of proper Means to keep the Navy in Repair, and on a better Foot than has been for some Time past.

Paris, Oct. 8. On Thursday Prince George of Hesse Cassel arrived here to spend some Time in this City. The Deputies of the Clergy came back the 5th from Fountainbleau. On the 30th past the Archbishop of Narbonne officiated Pontifically at the Mass of the Holy Ghost; at which the Prelates who composed the General Assembly of the Clergy assisted.

London, Oct. 8. By Letters brought by the Easton Capt. Godfrey, from Jamaica, and arrived the 5th instant off of Dover, there is Advice, That two Ships belonging to the Spanish Galleons came out from Porto Bello, but put back again. Admiral Hosier was then at the Bastimento's which command the Harbour of that Place. The Royal George, the South Sea Company's Ship, who was with the Admiral, has lost a great many Men by Sicknefs.

On Wednesday last George Carpenter, Esq; one of his Majesty's Gardners, was seized with a Fit of Apoplexy in his own Garden at Kensington Gore, and died before Help could come to him from the House.

Sir Charles Wager's Squadron is returning home.

Powsmouth, Sept. 6. The Humber, an eighty Gun Ship, was prepared to be launched here the 3d instant, and some Thousands of People went to the Dock to see it, but she could not be got off that Day, notwithstanding the utmost Endeavours to do it. However such Amendments were made, that the next Day she went off very readily.

The Right Honourable the Lord Viscount Londale, has taken Possession of his Constableness of the Tower, and of the two State Prisoners there.

Benefit TICKETS drawn in the present State LOTTERY, on Thursday the 6th and Friday the 7th, being the 16th and 17th Days.

Num.	Value.	Num.	Value.	Num.	Value.
81646	100	63745	1000	82013	100
70716	100	46899	100	91558	100
41470	100	6686	500	8451	1000
56842	100	82063	100	47331	100
17114	100	69380	100	28562	100
81404	100				

And 302 of 20 l. each.

Total drawn from the Beginning, 2466

From the Evening Post, Oct. 8.

Madrid, Sept. 20. Two Men of War of 60 Guns each, and 2 Fregats of 36 Guns each, fitted out at St. Andero, are hourly expected at Alicanti. Orders have been sent to Fasel, 3 Leagues from the Groyne, for building there some new Men of War, for which Purpose Materials will be sent for from Foreign Parts. Colonel Stanhope, Ambassador of G. Britain, has received Orders from London, to press this Court for Satisfaction in the Affair of the Duke de Riparda.

Petersburg, Sept. 7. The Prince Dolborucki, who is upon his Departure for Stockholm, will appear with uncommon Splendor at that Court; for he is allowed 100000 Rubles for his Equipage, and 100 Rubles a-day for his Journey. Mr. Marderfield Minister of Prussia, had lately an Audience of her Imperial Majesty, and afterwards conferred with her Ministers of State. The Publick here longs to know how long Admiral Wager will tarry before Revel, having taken on board a great deal of Provisions.

Paris,

*Paris, Oct. 12.* The Abbot Gualtieri, Nephew of the Cardinal of that Name, having been appointed by the Pope to bring the Cap to Cardinal de Fleury, is hourly expected here. The Courier of Lions who set out from thence the 5th Inst, and ought to have arrived here the 8th. was murdered 2 Leagues on this Side of that City by Highwaymen: He is the 2th who within these 3 Months were attacked on that Road, of which One only had the good Fortune to escape.

*Leipsick, Sept. 25.* Letters from Dresden say, that several Carriages are arrived there from Warsaw, with the most of the valuable Furniture of the King of Poland: From whence 'tis conjectured, that his said Majesty will soon return from Poland to his Electorate.

*London, Oct. 8.* On Thursday his Majesty diverted himself with Shooting in Richmond Park.

They write from Yarmouth Oct. 4. That a few Days before, News was brought them that a large Ship was in Distress off of Portland, upon which three Sloops with 30 Hands went out to assist her, they met the Captain and his Crew in two Boats coming away from the Ship, who said she was the Marianna of Marseilles, with 14 Guns, burthen 200 Tons, Michael Hyver Master, and was coming from Marseilles loaden with Soap, &c. That she had six Foot Water in her Hold and had lost her Rudder; some of the Sloops Men finding her driving and no Person in her, went on board, and by towing and using much Care and Dilligence, brought her to the Mouth of Weymouth Harbour, and intended to carry her in. The Custom-house Officers have permitted her to be unloaden. Some of her Leaks were occasioned by her Rudder's tearing off.

*From Mist's Weekly Journal, Octob. 8.*

*Facile est inventis addere.*

SIR,

HAVING a great Value for your Person, and being a constant Reader of your Paper; in perusing the Verses in that of *Saturday Sept. 24.* upon your own Name, I could not forbear making some Addition to 'em. I acknowledge, in the Sense of my Motto, that to improve a Thing, (which, by the Way, is the general Character of the *English Nation*) is a Matter of less Difficulty than to invent. And since we are said to be the *Apes* of other People, I think it would not be altogether *apropos*, to turn the *Latin* Sentence above written into the Children's Proverb, *One Fool makes many*: For I had never play'd the Fool in amusing myself with the following Lines,

had I not been drawn into it by *as great a Fool as my self*. Upon which Account, tho' they are far from being worthy your inserting, yet the doing it will provoke a little Laughter, gratifie some Conuntry Readers, and also oblige your sincere Friend,

*Anonymus.*

Since *Crambo* is so much in Favour,

Wherein we say just what we list,

Pray why mayn't I also endeavour

To find out *New Rhimes for Old Mst*?

Some Times in your Journal I find you

A learned and grave *Casuis*,

And often for *News* too, I mind you,

'Cause few Papers truer than *Mst*.

Some Times in the critical Learning,

Your Paper doth chiefly consist;

Which of your great Parts and Discerning,

Doth fully convince us, O *Mst*.

When Schism grows saucy and high,

And Libertines join the Deist,

They assuredly meet a Reply,

in Journal of Orthodox *Mst*.

Against Vices of every Kind,

You're a notable Antagonist,

We scarce such another shall find,

In all the three Kingdoms, as *Mst*.

Whate'r you pick up to amuse us,

It serves to your Mill to bring Gift;

And seldom we think you abuse us,

Because you are honest *Nat. Mist*.

Of all Journals, yours is the foremost,

To praise it I ne'er shall desist:

In these Parts, I'm sure 'tis read o'er most,

For most People call out for *Mist*.

If some Folks think you *High flying*,

Nay, downright call you a *Pa-pist*,

I hope you'll convince them of Lying,

And show yourself *Protestant Mist*.

I mean not a *Protestant blue*,

Of the Spawn of the ---- *Calvinist*;

But one of Apostolick Hue.

You know what I mean, my Friend *Mist*.

But I fear I shall tire you quite out,

Should I any farther persist;

Tho' more Rhimes I have for to make out,

Which make pretty Gingles for *Mist*.

I therefore conclude with Petition,

To favour our new *Carbonist*,

Who



Who waits for the next vacant Commission,  
For a Place in some Column of *Mist*.

N. B. Such of our Correspondents as have a Mind hereafter to divert themselves and the publick with this sort of Gingle, we hope will chuse another Subject, because we have rung the Changes quite thro' upon this, and a further Repetition we apprehend may tire our Readers Ears.

*Wye's Letter, verbatim, October 11.*

Since our last arrived a Mail from France. and one from Holland.

**I**N the Accounts of the Earthquake at Palermo by the Governor thereof to the Viceroy of Naples are the following Particulars, viz.

That before the Earthquake a dreadful Murmur was heard in the Air for above a Quarter an Hour, to the Astonishment of all who observed it; the Sky being being serene and clear, without Clouds or any Appearance of bad Weather; That about 4 in the Evening 2 Chevrons of Fire were seen, one towards Cape Lafrana, which drew near the Town, from whence, after a few Minutes they were born towards the Sea with such Violence, that they sunk into the Water and were no more seen; That this Account was given by the Crew of a Ship which was near the Harbour, and which narrowly missed being destroyed; and that they saw the Bottom of the Sea where the Chevrons fell in. After which the Earthquake began, which at first was no more than a Trembling, without any Shakes; but on a sudden it changed into irregular Motions, leaping and dancing, as it were, for the Space of 2 Pater Nosters; That one 4th Part of the Town is utterly ruined, and the rest not habitable, so that most of the Inhabitants are retired into the Country, and built Barracks out of the Ruines of that unhappy City, whose Shops are all shut up, and no Body to be seen; That the only Remark to be made upon the whole is, That since that Day the People have changed their Lives, being not so dissolute, but more humble and penitent.

On Saturday Night last the Phenomenon called *Aurora Borealis*, frequently seen in the Morning in the Northern Parts of Europe, was observed in this City; it appearing as Streaks of Light darting several Ways in the Clouds.

Letters from Hamburg give Account, That they have Letters from Elsinore advising, That on the 5th Instant they had a violent Storm there at N. W. which drove away many Ships from their An-

chors; That 9 Ships were lost on the Island of Saltholm, six on the Coast of Schonen, and two near Coll; that most of the Houses were untiled, and the Chimneys blown down at Elsinore; That the Sea rose higher on the Shore than has been known since the 1717 ---- Some People take a great Freedom in their Discourse upon the present Posture of Affairs; pretending at the same Time to be at a Loss to know the Causes for which our Men of War have been sent to the Coasts of Spain; whereas it is notorious to all that there was an absolute Necessity for taking these Methods, to secure to us the Enjoyments of our Rights and Privileges, and to put a Stop the great Evil long complained of by our Merchants, of having so many Ships taken and confiscated by the Spanish Guard de Coast in the West Indies; and according to the last Letters from thence, there is a very long Account depending with the British Nation, to the amount of near a Million Sterling, which Captures and Seizures, the Spaniards being not able to justify, were under Apprehensions that Reprisals would be made upon their Ships; That thereupon the Governor of Porto Bello, sent to Admiral Hoffer desiring his Permission for the Amirante and Capitana, who were Convoy to the Galleons, to sail out upon some Occasion, but the Answer being not agreeable they were continued in Port. 'Tis conjectured that had they been permitted to sail, they would have carried the King's Treasure to Spain, which must now be detained as well as that of the Merchants during the Pleasure of the English Squadron.

They are busy at the Victualling Office in furnishing Provisions for the Navy.

'Tis reported as if Sir Charles Wager will Winter with his Fleet in Copenhagen.

*From the Whitehall Evening Post, Octob. 11.*

*St. Ildefonso, Sept. 28.* The late Duke of Ormond is come hither from Madrid to confer with our Ministers; and this being the Anniversary of the Birth of the Prince of Asturias, who enters the 14 Year of his Age, he paid his Compliments to their Majesties and the Prince on that Occasion, in Company with the Pope's Nuncio, the Ambassador of Venice and the Envoy of Genoa.

*From the Flying Post, Octob. 11.*

*Madrid, Sept. 27.* The Pretender's Adherents still flatter themselves, that this Court will undertake some Expedition in their Favour.

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From the Evening Post, Oct. 11.

*Madrid, Sept. 24.* 'Tis talked that the Duke de Liria, Son of the Duke of Berwick, will be sent Ambassador to the Court of Russia.

*Grodno, Sept. 3.* Yesterday the great Diet of this Kingdom began to sit, the King being present.

*Vienne, Oct. 2.* Yesterday his Imperial Majesty entered the 42d Year of his Age.

*Stockholm, Oct. 2.* The Deliberations of our General Diet are carried on with great Unanimity. New Commissions have been issued for several Regiments, and Orders given to all the Officers of the Land Forces to keep within the Kingdom.

S. S. Stock, 10s, 7 8chs. Ditto Annuities, 97, 3 4ths. India, 143. Bank, 123. 1 4th. York Buildings, 12.

From the Daily Journal, Octob. 11.

*Madrid, Sept. 30.* The last Advices from New Spain say, That one of our Cruizers there had taken, after a Fight of 10 Hours, a Dutch Ship: of 50 Guns, with prohibited Goods to the Value of 300,000 Dollars.

From the St. James's Evening-Post, Oct. 11.

*London, Oct. 11.* Yesterday the most Noble the Marquis of Annandale was introduced to his Majesty at Kensington, and had a most gracious Reception. His Lordship arrived from Scotland a Day or two before.

*Edinburgh, Octob. 18.* Thursday last his Excellency General Wade arrived in Canongate from the North; and, as we hear, is to review, exercise and muster on Thursday next (being the Anniversary of his Majesty's Coronation) 2 Regiments of Dragoons at Musselburgh, viz. the Grays and Stair's.

Saturday Morning last died Lady Margaret Montgomery (Mother to Sir Robert Montgomery of Skelton) at her Lodgings in Canongate.

His Grace the Duke of Hamilton is expected in Town this Day, as is the the Rt. Hon. the Earl of Seafeld; and 'tis said his Grace will soon be Install'd Knight Companion of the most Noble Order of the St. Andrew, or Thistle.

## ADVERTISEMENT S.

That Mr. JAMES CRAIG, Professor of Civil and Canon Law in the University of Edinburgh, opens his College on the Pandects and Institutions of the Roman Law on Tuesday the first of November next at the Place and Hours as formerly.

\* \* \* That the good Ship the JOHN OF ANSTRUTHER, Philip Brown Junior Master, Burden one Hundred and twenty Tons, is to be exposed to Sale by Way of Voluntary Roup, on Tuesday the 25th of October Instant, betwixt the Hours of three and four Afternoon, at the House of Mrs Innes Vintner on the Shoar of Leith. The Inventar and Conditions of Roup, are to be seen in the Hands of Alexander Innes, Depute Clerk of Leith. And at the Laigh Coffeehouse in Edinburgh.

*Edinburgh Office, Sept. 6, 1726.*

The MANAGERS of the Copartnery are to Expose to publick Sale at their Office on Tuesday the EIGHTEENTH of October next, at Three after Noon, at the following low Rates for the Enconragement of Bidders, viz. — One Lot, containing 7 C. 1 Qr. 23 lb. Coths and Pieces of new Ropes, at 25 sh. per Hundred — One ditto, containing 4 new Herring-Nets, at 3 L. sterl. each Net — Eight ditto, containing 110 undress'd Nets, at 10 sh. sterl. each Net. — Utensils for a Twine work per Inventory, to be set up at L. 9. 17. 8. sterl. — Ditto, for the Cod-fishing as per Inventory, to be set up at L. 14. 11. 8. sterl. — Ditto for a Barking-house per ditto, to be set up at L. 14. 16. 4.

The above Goods will be shewn at Leith by David Darr the Copartnery's Agent; and the Inventory and Articles of Roup, at the Copartnery's Office in the Lawn-market.

\* \* \* On Thursday the 20th of this present Month of October, at the Town of Thornhill, pertaining to James Drummond of Blair Drummond, lying betwixt the Rivers of Forth and Taith, six Miles West of Stirling, continues to be held the yearly Fair for Horses, Black Cattle, Sheeps Cloath, &c. free of all Customs. A Sadle to be run for by Galloways.

†† There is a convenient LODGING, well finish'd and furnish'd, with Coach-house, Stables, Hay-loft, and other Office-houses thereto belonging, with a pleasant Garden and Dovecot, in the South-end of Restalrig. To be sett. Any Person who inclines to take the same, may enquire at the Author of this Paper.

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